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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: MARR, UK, UK, OX

SUBJECT: DIEGO GARCIA

REF: (A) STATE 111835 (B) LONDON 6279

1. WE INFORMED FCO MAY 14 THAT OUR PRESIDENT HAD SIGNED CERTIFICATION ON EXPANSION OF DIEGO GARCIA. FCO HAD NOT YET RECEIVED WORD FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ABOUT CERTIFICATION SIGNING.

2. SIGNING AND PUBLICATION OF CERTIFICATION WILL FURTHER STIMULATE BRITISH INTEREST IN DISCUSSING INDIAN OCEAN AT TALKS IN LONDON MAY 19-20. BRITISH WILL EXPECT THAT DEBATE IN U.S. CONGRESS WILL STIMULATE UK PARLIAMENTARY AND MEDIA INTEREST IN DIEGO GARCIA. IN DEFENDING HMG AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO EXPANDING USN FACILITY ON THE  
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ISLAND, BRITISH WILL HAVE TO RE-EMPHASIZE UK POSITION

THAT THERE SHOULD BE POSITIVE MOVEMENT TOWARD SOME KIND  
OF ARMS RESTRAINT BY SUPERPOWERS IN THE AREA. THUS THE  
AGENDA ITEM ON INDIAN OCEAN ARMS LIMITATION FOR THE MAY  
19-20 TALK WILL, WE EXPECT, BE MOST IMPORTANT TO THE  
BRITISH AND THE ITEM ON WHICH THEY WILL EXPECT TO SPEND  
THE MOST TIME. THE U.S. DELEGATION SHOULD BE PREPARED TO  
DISCUSS CURRENT U.S. POLICY ON ARMS LIMITATION IN AS MUCH  
DETAIL AS POSSIBLE.

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